

# Retail Food Establishments: Certified Food Protection Manager

*Regulation 61-25: Retail Food Establishments*



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## Five Key Risk Factors

*repeatedly identified in  
foodborne illness outbreaks:*

1. Improper Holding Temps
2. Inadequate Cooking
3. Contaminated Equipment
4. Food from Unsafe Sources
5. Poor Personal Hygiene

*All 5 of these risk factors can be  
reduced by having a certified food  
protection manager.*

## Regulation 61-25

*Citations 2-102.12 & 2-102.20*

At least one employee with the authority to direct and control food preparation and service shall be a food protection manager who has been certified by an accredited program. Programs accredited in SC as of June 27, 2014 are listed on this fact sheet.

## Public Health Reasons

Food protection managers have an important role in formulating policies, verifying food employees carry out these policies, and communicating with employees about the recommended practices to reduce the risk of foodborne illness.



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